

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1-4 (cancelled).

Claim 5 (previously presented): An isolated polypeptide encoded by SEQ ID NO: 4, wherein the polypeptide has histatin activity.

Claims 6-8 (cancelled).

Claim 9 (previously presented): A composition comprising a polypeptide according to claim 17, and at least one component selected from the group consisting of: physiologically acceptable carriers and immunostimulants.

Claim 10 (original): A composition according to claim 9, wherein the composition is a cosmetic composition.

Claims 11-16 (cancelled).

Claim 17 (previously presented): An isolated polypeptide comprising SEQ ID NO: 10.

Claim 18 (previously presented): An isolated polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of:

- (a) sequences having at least 75% identity to SEQ ID NO: 10;
- (b) sequences having at least 90% identity to SEQ ID NO: 10; and
- (c) sequences having at least 95% identity to SEQ ID NO: 10,

wherein the polypeptide has substantially the same functional activity as SEQ ID NO: 10.

Claims 19-21 (cancelled).

Claim 22 (previously presented): A composition comprising a polypeptide according to claim 18, and at least one component selected from the group consisting of: physiologically acceptable carriers and immunostimulants.

Claim 23 (previously presented): A composition according to claim 22, wherein the composition is a cosmetic composition.

Claims 24-25 (cancelled).